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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Erich Russ et al.
Serial No.: 09/973,121
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Title: DEVICE FOR THE ROTATABLE COUPLING OF TWO
COAXIAL CONNECTION ELEMENTS
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Examiner: Matthew C. Graham
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PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Applicants hereby petition for a one (1) month extension of time to respond to the outstanding OFFICIAL ACTION mailed October 31, 2003, with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the time for response from January 31, 2004 to February 29, 2004.

A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the petition fee. This petition fee has been calculated on the basis of a Small Entity status.

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In the event that any additional fees may be required to be paid in connection with this matter, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for the convenience of the Office.

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